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Application of:

WOODS, RANDALL

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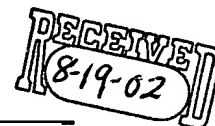
ALARM SWITCH

Docket No. RE26178

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Examiner: V. Trieu

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated August 9, 2002, amendment and reconsideration of the above application is requested. The entire Amendment filed on July 2, 2002, is hereby resubmitted with the appropriate corrections required by the Examiner in the most recent office action, namely that claims 30-36 be underlined.

Claims:

Please amend the following claims:

16. (Amended) A method of detecting the relative movement between first and second members from a close position where the members are adjacent, and an open position where the members are separated, said method comprising the steps of:

installing a switch assembly on said first member, said switch assembly including a first elongated switch element, a second switch element disposed in spaced relationship